METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR EXTENDIBLE INFORMATION AGGREGATION AND PRESENTATION

ABSTRACT

Methods and apparatus for arbitrarily extendible information aggregation and display. This functionality is achieved by abstracting the components of the system into individual modules which communicate using a platform-independent, extendible markup language such as extensible markup language (XML). A designer adds support for new information sources or client devices by abstracting and encapsulating messages to and from the information source or client device in a wrapper using a platform-independent, extendible markup language such as XML.